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TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE LETTER NO. 7-93, Change 1

TO : ALL STATE JTPA LIAISONS

ALL STATE WORKER ADJUSTMENT LIAISONS ALL STATE WAGNER-PEYSER ADMINISTERING

AGENCIES

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Administrator

for Regional Management

SUBJECT: Transitional Adjustment Assistance Provisions

Related to the Implementation of the North

American Free Trade Agreement

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To provide clarification with the Company under Section 250 of the Trade Act of 1974 and its relationship with the Title III program under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA).
- 2. <u>References</u>. Training and Employment Guidance Letter No. 7-93 dated April 19, 1994.
- 3. <u>Background</u>. TEGL No. 7-93 provided information on the NAFTA-Title III program and the benefits and services available for NAFTA-impacted workers who would not be eligible to receive assistance under the NAFTA-TAA pro-gram. In response to inquiries from States concerning the NAFTA-Title III program, clarifications are being provided on eligibility for needs-related payments.

4. Discussion.

o Under the NAFTA-Title III program funded with National Reserve funds, the date of last layoff, rather than the initial benefit period used under NAFTA-TAA, is used to determine eligibility for income support pay-ments. If a dislocated worker has experienced a series

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of layoffs and callbacks, this could result in the individual being eligible for such payments under NAFTA-Title III.

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- o The list of extenuating circumstances which would allow the additional 30-day grace period for meeting the required time for enrolling in training is the same for NAFTA-TAA and NAFTA-Title III programs. The intent in TEGL 7-93 was that the same list apply.
- o If an individual's training enrollment date is 1) past the end of the 16th week, or the sixth week after the Secretary has issued a certification (whichever is later); and 2) past the 30 days grace period added to the 16 weeks/6 week cutoff if extenuating circumstances apply, the individual is not eligible for income support payments under either the NAFTA-TAA (using the initial UI benefit period) or NAFTA-Title III program (using the date of last layoff).
- 5. <u>Inquiries</u>. Direct any questions on this TEGL to the appropriate Regional Administrator.